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## CITY SCORES FIRST POINT

WATER SUIT NOW IN COURT

Judge Conrey Denies Motion of Baldwin Attorneys to Have Case Thrown Out

First blood was drawn by the city of Sierra Madre in the condemnation suit against the Baldwin estate for water rights in the Little Santa Anita which came up for hearing before Judge Conrey of the superior court on Tuesday. After the presentation of the city's evidence showing what is sought and the city's need for additional water Attorney Bradner W. Lee of counsel for Baldwin interests moved on Thursday that the case be nonsuited. After arguments from both sides on the motion Judge Conrey denied the motion and continued the case to next Tuesday morning at ten o'clock.

Sierra Madre's case was handled by Senator Leslie R. Hewitt, who was assisted by Attorney E. R. Young of Los Angeles. Arrayed against them were the best legal talent the Baldwin estate could hire. Assisting Bradner W. Lee were Gavin McNab and Attorney Rothschild of San Francisco, a high priced expert in water litigation. F. C. Finkle and other water experts were at hand to give suggestions on the line of questioning directed at the city's witnesses.

### The City's Evidence

Senator Hewitt placed on the stand a large number of witnesses in making out a very complete case. City Clerk Perry presented the records of the city covering the issue of water bonds to provide money to purchase the water rights sought in the suit. City Engineer Bixby presented maps and statistics showing the amount and character of water supply now developed and possible to obtain for Sierra Madre. Engineers Sonderegger of Los Angeles and Allen of Pasadena presented an additional mass of technical testimony of similar character. Superintendent Biederman of the water company, Messrs. Pliny Gregory, A. N. Carter and J. A. Osgood were called upon to testify regarding the measurement of the flow in the Little Santa Anita at various times, in corroboration of the figures submitted by Mr. Bixby. Mayor Jones was called upon for data regarding the population and growth of the town. Most of the witnesses were thoroughly grilled by Attorney Lee who sought to twist their testimony into something which could be of service to his side of the case.

The denial of the motion for a nonsuit was taken by those in attendance upon the hearings to indicate that the city is practically sure of being permitted to condemn the water sought, leaving the determination of the price as the principal battle ground.

### Making Hard Fight

As was to be expected the Baldwin attorneys are making a desperate fight to defeat the city in this case. The amount of water actually involved is a mere bagatelle to the Baldwin ranch and a large part of their share of the water already developed has actually gone to waste. But Executor Unruh would willingly spend much more than the water is worth to prevent it falling into the hands of Sierra Madre. It is because of his attitude towards this city that everybody who knows anything about the local water situation is anxious to get the Baldwin estate out of the canyon. The accomplishment of this end would be worth much more than the actual resulting increase in the water supply.

The tactics of the Baldwin interests indicate a purpose to make the proceedings as difficult and costly as possible for Sierra Madre, whatever the outcome of the suit. It is also intended undoubtedly to make it appear that they are much averse to losing their rights in the canyon, with the idea that it may have some effect in boosting the price to be set by the court as fair compensation to be paid by the city.

Some of the Baldwin experts have developed a virulent case of imagination since the proceedings were started. Evidence of this is shown by an affidavit filed with the court showing the amount of electrical power which could be developed on the Baldwin ranch by making such use of the water pressure in the pipes from the canyon. The value is placed at something like a quarter of a million, in addition to the value of the water itself for irrigating and other purposes. To develop the power named in the affidavit would require a continuous flow of about 100 inches the year around, which is about twenty times the average amount received in the past, according to City Engineer Bixby.

### NEW CARBONATING MACHINE

J. A. Patterson has installed in the basement of his store a new automatic carbonating machine, connected with the soda fountain. No longer will it be necessary to work a back breaking lever or rock the cradle holding the steel gas container in order to put sparkle and snap into the water. No

## ABOUT THE TITANIC

SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN ANSWERS  
QUERIES RAISED BY SINK-  
ING OF GREAT LINER

Almost every one has had questions arising in his mind after thinking over the Titanic disaster which he found it difficult to answer. As was to be expected, the Scientific American was deluged with letters of inquiry on various points and printed the following list of answers to those most commonly raised. They will doubtless be of interest to many News readers.

Probably the most surprising statement to many persons will be the one to the effect that the Titanic sank clear to the bottom in two miles or more of water. Wide currency has been given the mistaken idea that the big ship could never touch bottom because of the greatly increased pressure in the lower depths. As a matter of fact since water is practically inelastic and incompressible its density does not increase with the increase of pressure. The answers given by the Scientific American on the various subjects were as follows:

"Titanic" at the Bottom.—Let it be understood in the first place, that the "Titanic" as we showed in our issue of April 27th, is today at the bottom of the North Atlantic in two thousand fathoms of water. As the depth increases, there is an increase of pressure, but not in density, of the water. Therefore, the Titanic weighs approximately the same two thousand fathoms below the surface as she did when afloat; hence, she is absolutely unrecoverable.

The Seamen.—This disaster has proved that in the matter of ocean navigation, many fallacies have crept into our minds. Thus, we had come to believe that the day of the able seaman on passenger ships was over. Yet never was there a greater demand for him than on that fatal night of April 14th. In this connection we draw special attention to a letter published in our correspondence column signed "A Commander of One of the Passenger Ships," in which the writer shows that a trained body of seamen on any passenger ship is liable to be arbitrarily withdrawn from the ship by the action of the union, and a crew of raw seamen, who know nothing of the equipment of the ship, forced upon the captain—and this on the very eve of sailing. Here is a peril indeed, vitally threatening the safety of passenger travel on the deep seas. Most heartily do we endorse the suggestion of our correspondent, that this question of interference by the unions with the crews, and especially the seamen, of passenger ships, be made the subject of Congressional legislation.

Structural Changes.—We would like to see the double shell extended up the sides to about the deep load line; bunks arranged along the sides of the ship instead of athwart ship; watertight bulkheads carried two and preferably three decks above the deep load line; all bulkheads greatly stiffened to resist distortion; and no bulkhead doors permitted below the water line, and as few as possible above it.

Lifeboat Accommodations.—Perfectly reasonable is the suggestion that when the steward assigns the passenger his seat at table, he should also assign him his seat in a lifeboat. The number and position of the lifeboat should be entered upon a card and the lifeboat pointed out to the passenger. The Japanese, with characteristic prevision, already have followed this practice on one of their important steamship lines.

Searchlights.—In spite of the testimony of one of the officers of the Titanic, we consider that the installation of powerful masthead or bow searchlights on transatlantic steamers would be a wise step. To avoid blinding an approaching ship, it would be advisable, in crowded waterways, to use such lights with caution; but no unprejudiced navigator will for a moment deny that a searchlight would have picked up the berg which sank the Titanic, long before it was visible to the lookout and in time for the ship to have swung clear.

Establish an Ice-Patrol.—One important outcome of the present discussion of safety at sea will be the establishment by the government of an ice-patrol during the period in which ice comes down from the Arctic Sea. This patrol should be stationed well to the north of the northern route; it should take up its position of observation at the commencement of the ice season, and continue on station until the last of the ice has come down. By this means the ice would be detected at its earliest approach and long before it entered the zone of danger, and the steamship sailing routes would be steadily shifted south in accordance with the official reports sent into the Hydrographic Office.

more will the pressure go down in the middle of a busy warm day with a thirsty crowd waiting for fizz water. When the pressure gets down to a certain point an electrical thingdoodle announces the fact to the machine in the basement, which is immediately put into operation by electric motor. It continues to work until each cubic inch of water contains exactly the right number of the little bubbles that bite your tongue, when it shuts itself off automatically.

## BISHOP JOHNSON COMING

The Bishop of Los Angeles, the Rt. Rev. Joseph H. Johnson, D. D., will make his annual visitation to the Church of the Ascension next Sunday, which will be Whitsunday. He will administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation, preach the sermon and celebrate the Holy Communion at the 11 o'clock service. Sunday School will be held as usual at 9:45 a. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

## OPENS LOS ANGELES OFFICE

Dr. R. H. Mackerras will open an office in Los Angeles next month, associating himself with Dr. Anstruther Davidson.

During the summer his office will be in the Wilcox Bldg., corner of Second and Spring, over the First National Bank. He has, however, leased offices in the new Los Angeles Investment Co. Bldg., corner of Eighth and Broadway, and will move there upon the completion of that building early in the fall. The doctor will devote his time to Internal Medicine for which he took the special course at Harvard University last summer. He will still maintain his office in Sierra Madre.

## FINE PROMOTION MAGAZINE

J. L. Turner brought to the News of this week a copy of "The Worcester Magazine," published by the Board of Trade of Worcester, Mass., his old home. It was sent to him in return for a copy of the Sierra Madre News illustrated supplement. The Worcester publication is quite the finest regular periodical of its character we have seen. It is published monthly and is devoted to the promotion of the city and to giving publicity to the affairs of the Board of Trade. Half of its sixty-four pages are devoted to advertising, principally of goods manufactured in Worcester.

## FINE FIRE FIGHTING

VALUE OF VOLUNTEER AUXILIARY SERVICE IS SHOWN AT FOREST FIRE

Cooperation in fighting forest fires under the newly organized protection system of the U. S. Forest Service had its first real test recently on the Angeles national forest. A fire started in Devil Canyon near San Bernardino and thirty minutes after it was discovered two auto trucks with men and provisions and tools, in charge of W. C. Starke of the San Bernardino water department, were speeding to the scene of the fire, which was soon put out with little damage. This almost equals the record of some city fire departments.

The cooperative fire fighting system is the result of closer organization of the volunteer help made by the Forest Service following the disastrous fires in Southern California last summer. Officers of the service made an extensive canvass through the towns immediately adjacent to the Angeles national forest and inaugurated the system that is now proving so effective. Volunteer mountain fire fighting companies were organized in seven towns along the front.

In each community some representative citizen was selected as agent for the forest service. His duty is to locate in advance of a call a crew of volunteer fire fighters and to see that their equipment and transportation is ready at a moment's notice. He arranges for the immediate forwarding of the men, tools and supplies when notified over the phone by the ranger back in the hills that a fire has broken out. This arrangement permits the forest rangers to give their entire attention to patrol and saves the time hitherto lost by the ranger coming

## NEW ROUTING PROPOSED

W. M. Humphreys of the Los Angeles board of public works has recently offered a solution of the problem of congestion encountered by the north division Pacific Electric cars on Main Street. It is an alternative to the proposed San Pedro Street routing from Aliso street to the rear of the station at Sixth and Main. His new plan calls for the construction of tracks leaving the present short line tracks at the Indian Village. Connection would be made with the Hill Street station by way of North Broadway, Castellar Street and the Hill Street tunnel, taking the cars away from the Main Street station entirely. All Pasadena, Sierra Madre and Glendora line cars would use the route. Just how the plan would appeal to the commuters, who are chiefly interested, could be learned only by a careful canvass, but it seems preferable at first glance to the proposed San Pedro Street routing, which would take the cars further from the retail store and office building district. It is safe to say that 80 per cent of the regular commuters at present go west upon alighting from the Sierra Madre cars on Main. If the plan would really put an end to the delays now caused by the Main Street congestion it would undoubtedly be hailed with delight by most of the commuters as well as by others who would be glad to be carried nearer the shopping district than would be the case on San Pedro Street.

down out of the mountains to gather a crew of men. These agents and volunteer fire fighters are paid by the government when engaged in actual fire work, but many of them show such a fine public spirit that they refuse to accept pay for their services. The system is working admirably and is being rapidly extended to other parts of the State.

## SANE FOURTH IS ORDERED

BAN ON FIREWORKS REMAINS

Helping Station to be Established for Municipal Nurse's Good Work

"Last year's Fourth of July suited me pretty well," remarked Trustee Graham.

"I used to think a lot of noise was absolutely necessary but after seeing how a quiet Fourth worked last year I came to the conclusion that we can get along without the shooting," said Trustee Steinberger.

So the trustees decided last night not to lift the ban on Fourth of July noise concoctions which is established throughout the other 365 days of the year. The matter was brought up by Chairman Jones who said he had received a request from a merchant that the board decide immediately what the city's policy would be, so he could order his stock of fireworks if it would be permissible to sell and explode them.

The News agitated the matter of a sane Fourth three years before it was given a trial, claiming that if once tried it would not be given up. The proof of that claim comes in the action mentioned above, which will undoubtedly be satisfactory to most of the people of Sierra Madre and the rest will forget in a year or two what a noisy Fourth is like.

The ordinance covering the matter prohibits the sale or use within the city limits of all fireworks and firecrackers at all times, and also forbids the discharge of firearms. The ordinance provides, however, that it may be suspended for definite periods by order of the trustees and it was under this section that a noisy Fourth is possible.

### Helping Nurse

Mrs. Amelia Jensen, the municipal nurse, was present at last night's meeting to discuss with the board plans for a helping station. The building formerly used by the boys' athletic club as a gymnasium has been given to the city and removed to the rear end of the city's lot at the corner of Central and Windsor Lane. It is proposed to use the building as headquarters for the municipal nurse and a helping station for the sick and indigent. Storage room will also be provided for such city property as can properly be kept therein.

The trustees agreed to assume the cost of putting in some partitions, doing some interior finishing and plumbing. Necessary furnishings will be provided at no cost to the city. Mrs. Jensen feels that the scope and efficiency of her work can be greatly enlarged by means of the accommodations which will be provided. The board took the view that anything within reason that will aid her in her invaluable work ought by all means to be furnished. Accordingly Trustee Steinberger was appointed a committee to co-operate with Mrs. Jensen and Dr. Mackerras, representing the Board of Health, in making the necessary changes in the building.

### Steel Cage in Use Soon

The steel cage ordered to provide a lodging place for lawbreakers will be in use soon. That is to say, it will be ready for use if occasion requires. After a long discussion it was decided to have it set up in the room at the rear of the city hall where proper sewer connections can be made and where the cement floor obviates danger from fire.

Current bills were audited and ordered paid with the exception of a bill for several hundred dollars from former City Attorney Bridges for extra services. After some discussion the bill was referred to Chairman Graham of the finance committee and City Attorney Montgomery who were instructed to try to get a compromise at a figure somewhere near what the board thought fair compensation.

### ANOTHER DOCTOR'S DEGREE

Dr. George Ellery Hale, director of the Mt. Wilson Solar Observatory, may have to erect a special building to house the parchments describing his increasingly numerous degrees conferred by institutions of learning all over the world. The University of California is the latest to honor him, having bestowed the degree of Doctor of Laws in recognition of his wonderful astronomical researches. The revelation of the vortical character of sunspots and researches covering magnetic phenomena connected therewith are mentioned as especially worthy of recognition, according to reports from Berkeley. Dr. Hale has already received honorary degrees from many eastern and European universities, and has received medals and decorations from a number of scientific societies. When he and his staff get into action with the great 100-inch telescope which is now in course of construction the learned bodies of the world will have to invent some new form of distinction to confer as it is expected the new instrument will accomplish results which will even outshine the achievements reached with the present 60-inch glass.

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## Brief Items of Interest

Mrs. A. Davis is a week end guest at the home of Mmes. Ingraham and Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Allen and daughter have returned from a week's trip to Catalina.

Mrs. Harry Little of Los Angeles was a week end guest at the home of Mrs. Holt Gregory.

Miss Francis Turner of Los Angeles spent the week end at the home of Miss Dorothy Camp.

Miss Fannie Scott of Pasadena has been a guest at the home of Miss Edith Blumer for the past fortnight.

Mme. Jussion of Los Angeles, a sister of Gen. Carl Schurz, is a guest at the home of Mrs. A. D. Hawks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Burrell were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dorwath of Los Angeles.

Miss Amelia Humphries of Los Angeles was a week end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Humphries.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adams have rented a house at Santa Monica where they have gone to spend the entire summer.

Mrs. A. M. Bryant of Chicago is spending a fortnight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Coapman of North Lima.

Donald C. Ashmore has again taken up active work in the optical business, being a graduate optician. He is located at 330 S. Broadway, Los Angeles.

W. J. Saunders and family have rented the A. N. Adams house at Highland and Hermosa for the summer. Mr. Saunders is a Los Angeles architect.

Mrs. W. J. Lawless and Mrs. W. H. Ingraham attended the State Federation of Woman's Clubs held at Paso Robles this week as delegates for the Sierra Madre Woman's Club.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Blumer are spending a fortnight at Nordhoff, Cal., enjoying a visit at the home of their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. William Larned Thacher.

Mrs. John Lamphar and two daughters of Sinaloa, Mexico, and Mmes. Roy Baker and Frank Baker of Los Angeles were guests of Mrs. C. H. Baker at the Mission Play at San Gabriel Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Holiker who have been occupying the Kuhn cottage on North Lima have left Sierra Madre, the former going to Seattle to make their home and the latter remaining in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Baker entertained a few friends with a charmingly appointed dinner on Monday, followed by an evening of music. Covers were laid for ten, the guests being Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Mackerras, Misses Cook, Craig and Hill, Messrs. J. D. Mackerras, Morridge and Bovard.

Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Krebs entertained very informally with an evening of music and a Dutch supper at their home Wednesday night. Several fine violin selections by Miss Bonnie Rockhold of Riverside and a number of cello selections by Mr. Herbert Ingraham were enjoyed by the guests. There were about twelve present. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Baker entertained a few friends with a charmingly appointed dinner on Monday, followed by an evening of music. Covers were laid for ten, the guests being Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Mackerras, Misses Cook, Craig and Hill, Messrs. J. D. Mackerras, Morridge and Bovard.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Congregational Church held a social this afternoon at the church parlors in honor of Miss Mae Campbell who has come from a visit to Catalina to attend the event. The ladies brought their sewing and a pleasant social time was enjoyed. Dainty refreshments were served. The hostesses were Mmes. E. Wood Davis and F. H. Hartman.

Miss Ethel Powell entertained delightfully with a dinner party Monday evening in honor of the birthday anniversary of Miss Maybelle Caley. The house was attractively decorated in pink Mamon Cochet roses and ferns and pretty May Day ideas were carried out in the dinner decorations. The guests were Mrs. Rankin of Calgary, Canada, Misses Norris, Powell, Caley, Vessers, Paul Baugh and Edward Pelletier.

A jolly crowd of young people enjoyed a picnic supper in the Big Santa Anita Canyon Saturday night. The trip was made in automobiles. The affair was given by six young men, the young ladies of the party being their guests. They included Misses Dorothy Camp and Miss Katharine Mason of Sierra Madre, and Misses Dona Moses and Francis Turner of Los Angeles. Messrs. Fred Hinton, Raymond Andrews, Victor Hill, Charles Camp, Lawrence Nourse and John Moses of Los Angeles, with Mrs. E. W. Camp as chaperon.

Charles Camp has gone for a three weeks trip to various points in Ventura county.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Klunk have rented the Parsons cottage on San Gabriel Court.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Conrad have returned from a few days visit to Santa Barbara.

Mrs. M. M. Olds has as week end guests Mrs. Stimson and two daughters of Cheyenne.

C. W. Foreman of Upland has purchased the H. P. Olsen cottage on Santa Anita Court.

The Dickens Club held a pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. C. C. Nourse Wednesday afternoon.

Harry Coffey of Las Vegas, New Mexico, has been a guest at the home of his sister, Miss Annis B. Coffey, recently.

Mrs. J. Henderson Childs of Mesa, Arizona, is enjoying a short visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. F. Brugman.

Mrs. A. Boaler who has been a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. D. Hawks, has left for her home in Chicago. She is visiting relatives in Visalia on the return trip.

William Gottlieb and Crawford Williams who have been staying at Palm Springs since the first of the year have returned to Sierra Madre, the former being located at Mrs. Ferry's on Baldwin and the latter at the home of Miss E. D. Williams on North Auburn. Washington Long of Mound City, Kansas, is visiting his old friend, J. A. Thompson of Suffolk avenue. Mr. Long visited Sierra Madre four years ago and is sorry now that he did not locate here at that time. His family will join him soon and they will make their home in Southern California.

Miss Edith Blumer who leaves soon for a tour of the east, was the guest of honor at a delightful little affair given by Miss Lottie Humphries at her home Tuesday afternoon. Two clever guessing games occupied the time, one being entitled "A Journey East" and the other "A Book of Leaves." The prize for the former was captured by Miss Vega Brugman and the consolation by Miss Fannie Scott. The prize for the latter was won by Mrs. Tasker Webster. Mrs. John Hart receiving the consolation. The color scheme was yellow, which was carried out in the refreshments as much as possible. The guests were Mmes. W. H. Ingraham, L. L. Krebs, W. J. Lawless, C. W. Jones, E. S. Stillson, Holt Gregory, Tasker Webster, John Hart, G. Hallett Johnson, R. H. Mackerras, H. I. Hawhurst, George Humphries, Misses Annis B. Coffey, Daisy Hawks, Jean Craig, Edith Blumer, Vega Brugman, Florence Vanner, Evelyn and Marjorie Rice. Out of town guests were Miss Fannie Scott of Pasadena and Miss Amelia Humphries of Los Angeles.

One of the most original and entertaining social events of the season was the "children's party" given by Mrs. H. I. Hawhurst at her home Thursday afternoon. All the guests were required to appear in costume and to stunts. Miss Annis B. Coffey read a clever prophecy concerning the future of the guests ten years from the day. A very interesting program occupied most of the afternoon. Among those taking part were Miss Edith Blumer, Mrs. S. C. Collins, Miss Jean Craig, Miss Gertrude Cook, Miss Dorothy Humphries and Miss Marjorie Rice. The O. U. Quartet gave several selections. Mrs. G. H. Cornell acted the role of mother to the children, Mrs. George Humphries as grandmother, and Miss Annis B. Coffey as aunt. Many unique and ludicrous costumes were worn. Refreshments consisting of ice cream cones, pink lemonade, all-day suckers, popcorn balls, and animal crackers were served. There were about thirty-five guests. Out of town guests were Mrs. Charles Ferry and Miss Fannie Scott of Pasadena.

Remember Georgie Wright, the handy lad, when you want your shoes polished or errands run. Will deliver anything that can be carried on a bicycle. See him at barber shop or phone Blue 42.

Items of social or personal interest will be received by Miss Evelyn Rice, who may be reached by telephone, Blue 33. News should be in by Thursday noon to insure insertion.

## TO INVESTIGATE ACCIDENTS

Southern Pacific Adopts New Policy to Locate Responsibility

Boards of Inquiry will hereafter be convened to ascertain the cause and fix the responsibility, where such immediate cause is not clearly manifest, for all accidents on the Southern Pacific, according to information made public in the general offices of the Southern Pacific this week. Full publicity as to the findings of such inquiry boards will also be given.

This is a new move on the part of the Southern Pacific and is in line with its policy of full publicity for accidents adopted several years ago. Following an accident that is not of minor consequence the ranking official on the division on which the accident occurs, shall convene the board, which board shall comprise two disinterested persons not connected with the railroad, and the division officers representing the operating, mechanical and engineering departments. The board must visit the scene of the accident and must take the testimony of employees and eye witnesses, persisting in the investigation until the causes are determined. Should a division board of inquiry fail to reach a conclusion, a second board, comprising higher officials shall be convened and if the findings of the second board be not conclusive the general manager will convene a third board.

The instructions to officers who shall convene inquiry boards state specifically that the responsibility must be fixed regardless of individuals or interests affected. The findings must be turned over to the general manager and from the latter's office to the press. Prominent business men from the neighborhood in which an accident may occur usually sit as members of such boards and of several inquiries already held the findings of these boards have all been unanimous.

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Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles, of the State of California, on the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1912, in the above entitled action, wherein Carlton E. Ladd, the above named plaintiff, obtained a judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against F. C. Melton, et al, defendants, on the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1912, for the sum of seventy-seven thousand, nine hundred, nine hundred, two and 43/100 (\$77,902.43) dollars, gold coin of United States, which said decree was, on the 1st day of April, A. D. 1912, recorded in Judgment Book, 2d, of said Court, at page 306, I am commanded to sell all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and bounded and described as follows:

The southwest quarter of Section Two (2) in Township One (1) North, Range Twelve (12) West, S. B. M. in said county of Los Angeles, State of California, known as the Altadena Health Resort Company property, containing one hundred sixty acres (160) of land, according to Government Survey, together with all water and water-rights thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining and 1/10 shares of stock in the Rubio Canyon Land &amp; Water Association.

Also the following described real property situate in said county of Los Angeles, State of California, and particularly described as follows: Lot One (1) and part of Lot Two (2) in Section Eleven (11), Township One (1) North, Range Twelve (12) West, S. B. M. and M. and a part of the Grogan Tract in the Rancho San Pasqual in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of Section Two (2) Township One (1) North, Range Twelve (12) West, S. B. M. and M. thence east twenty and ninety-five hundredths (20.95) chains; thence south 12 1/2 degrees, east eleven and ninety-seven hundredths (11.97) chains to Station 12 of the Boardman Survey of the Grogan Tract, being also the northeast corner of 42 1/2 acre tract conveyed by Alex. E. Grogan to David Townsend, by deed recorded in Book 11, page 168 of Deeds, thence along the east line of said 42 1/2 acre tract, south 12 1/2 degrees, east six and forty-four hundredths (6.44) chains; thence south 12 degrees, east twenty-three and sixty-six hundredths (23.66) chains to the southeast corner of said Tract; thence west along the south line of said Tract; sixteen and eighty-hundredths (16.80) chains to its south west corner; thence north along the west line of said Tract thirty-four and seven hundredths (34.17) chains to the north line of the Rancho San Pasqual; thence northwesterly along the north line of said Rancho, to beginning, containing fifty-four and twenty-two (54.22) acres more or less, excepting the west thirty (30) feet of the south fifteen hundred and thirty-five and ninety-two hundredths (153.92) feet; also the south twenty-five (25) feet as reserved for roads in a deed recorded in Book 11, page 169 of Deeds. Together with all water and water-rights thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining and 40 shares of stock of the Rubio Canyon Land &amp; Water Company.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That, on Monday, the 13th day of May, A. D. 1912, at 12:00 o'clock m., of that day, in front of the Court House door of the County of Los Angeles, Broadway entrance, I will, in obedience to said order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, sell the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, with interest and costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder, for cash, gold coin of the United States. Dated this 13th day of April, 1912.

W. A. HAMMEL, Sheriff of Los Angeles County.  
BY W. T. OSTERHOLT, Deputy Sheriff.  
HAAS & DUNNIGAN, Plaintiff's Attorneys.POSTPONEMENT OF SALE  
By instructions of plaintiff's attorneys, the above sale is hereby postponed until Friday, May 24th, 1912, at the same hour and place.Dated this 13th day of May, 1912.  
W. A. HAMMEL, Sheriff of Los Angeles County.  
BY W. T. OSTERHOLT, Deputy.

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## PROLOGUE.

It was in the woods that the girl of the Limberlost found her education, her love, her happiness and other good things, so, rightly, the air of the trees is in this story of her life. Here is a tale for lovers of the woods and for others who like a simple story well told by one who knows the forest, can tell about "home folks" and can find the interest in everyday lives. Through these pages flutter the brilliant butterfly of tangled romance, the more sober butterfly, no less beautiful, of noble, quiet lives, well lived, and the gray moth of sorrow borne needlessly for many years. And if you listen closely you may hear the buzz of the little, busy existence of Billy, a youngster worth your knowing.

## CHAPTER I.

Wherein Elnora Goes to High School.

**E**LNORA COMSTOCK, have you lost your senses?" demanded the angry voice of Katharine Comstock as she glared at her daughter.

"Why, mother?" faltered the girl.

"Don't you 'why mother' me!" cried Mrs. Comstock. "You know very well what I mean. You've given me no peace until you've had your way about this going to school business. I've fixed you good enough, and you're ready to start. But no child of mine walks the streets of Onabasha looking like a play actress woman. You wet your hair and comb it down modest and decent and then be off or you'll have no time to find where you belong."

Elnora gave one despairing glance at the white face, framed in a most becoming riot of reddish brown hair, which she saw in the little kitchen mirror. Then she untied the narrow black ribbon, wet the comb and plastered the waving curls close to her head, bound them fast, pinned on the skimpy black hat and started for the back door.

Mrs. Comstock watched the girl down the long walk to the gate and out of sight on the road in the bright sunshine of the first Monday of September.

"I bet a dollar she gets enough of it by night!" Mrs. Comstock said positively.

Elnora walked by instinct, for her eyes were blinded with tears. She left the road where it turned south at the corner of the Limberlost, climbed a snake fence and entered a path worn by her own feet. Dodging under willow and scrub oak branches, she at last came to the faint outline of an old trail made in the days when the previous timber of the swamp was guarded by armed men. This path she followed until she reached a thick clump of bushes. From the debris in the end of a hollow log she took a key that unlocked the padlock of a large weather-beaten old box, inside of which lay several books, a butterfly apparatus and an old cracked mirror. The walls were lined thickly with gaudy butterflies, dragon flies and moths. She set up the mirror, and, once more pulling the ribbon from her hair, she shook the bright mass over her shoulders, tossing it dry in the sunshine. Then she straightened it, bound it loosely and replaced her hat. She tugged vainly at the low brown calico collar and gazed despairingly at the generous length of the narrow skirt. She lifted it as she would have liked it to be cut if possible. That disclosed the heavy leather high shoes, at sight of which she looked positively ill and hastily dropped the skirt. Looking the case again, she hid the key and hurried down the trail.

She followed it around the north end of the swamp and then struck into a footpath crossing a farm in the direc-

tion of the spires of the city to the northeast. Again she climbed a fence and was on the open road. For an instant she leaned against the fence, staring before her, then turned and looked back. Behind her lay the land on which she had been born to drudgery and a mother who made no pretense of loving her. Before her lay the city, through whose schools she hoped to find means of escape and the way to reach the things for which she cared. When she thought of how she looked she leaned more heavily against the fence and groaned. When she thought of turning back and wearing such clothing in ignorance all the days of her life she set her teeth firmly and went hastily toward Onabasha.

She approached the great stone high school building, entered bravely and inquired her way to the office of the superintendent. There she learned that she should have come the week before and arranged for her classes.

"I finished last spring at Brushwood school, district No. 9," said Elnora. "I have been studying all summer. I am quite sure I can do the first year work if I have a few days to get started."

"Of course, of course," assented the superintendent. "Almost invariably country pupils do good work. You may enter first year, and if you don't fit we will find it out speedily. Your teachers will tell you the list of books you must have, and if you will come with me I will show you the way to the auditorium. It is now time for opening exercises. Take any seat you find vacant." He was gone.

Elnora stood before the entrance, and stared into the largest room she ever had seen. The door sloped down to a yawning stage, on which a band of musicians, grouped around a grand piano, were tuning their instruments. Every one else was seated, but no one paid any attention to the white faced girl stumbling half blindly down the aisle next the farthest wall. So she went on to the very end facing the stage. No one moved, and she could not summon courage to crowd past others to several empty seats she saw. At the end of the aisle she paused in desperation as she stared back at the whole forest of faces, most of which were now turned upon her.

In one burning flash came the full realization of her scanty dress, her pitiful little hat and ribbon, her big, heavy shoes, her ignorance of where to go or what to do, and from a sickening wave which crept over her she felt she was going to become very ill. Then out of the mass she saw a pair of big brown boy eyes three seats from her, and there was a message in them. Without moving his body he reached forward and with a pencil touched the back of the seat before him. Instantly Elnora took another step, which brought her to a row of vacant front seats.

She heard the giggle behind her. The knowledge that she wore the only hat in the room burned her. Every matter of moment and some of none at all cut and stung. She had no books. Where should she go when this was over? What would she give to be on the trail going home!

Before she realized what was coming every one had risen and the room was emptying rapidly. Elnora hurried after the nearest girl and in the press at the door touched her sleeve timidly.

"Will you please tell me where the freshmen go?" she asked huskily.

The girl gave her one surprised glance and drew away.

"Same place as the fresh women," she answered, and those nearest her laughed.

Elnora stopped praying suddenly, and the color swept into her face. "I'll wager you are the first person I meet when I find it," she said and stopped short. "Not that! Oh, I must not do that!" she thought in dismay. "Make an enemy the first thing I do—oh, not that!"

She followed with her eyes as the young people separated in the hall, some climbing stairs, some disappearing down side halls, some entering

doors near by. She saw the girl overtake the brown eyed boy and speak to him, and he glanced back at Elnora, and now there was a scowl on his face. Then she stood alone in the hall.

Presently a door opened and a young woman came out and entered another room. Elnora waited until she returned and hurried to her. "Would you tell me where the freshmen are?" she panted.

"Straight down the hall, three doors to your left," was the answer as the girl passed.

"One minute, please—oh, please!" begged Elnora. "Do I knock or just open the door?"

"Go in and take a seat," replied the teacher.

"What if there aren't any seats?" gasped Elnora.

"Classrooms are never half filled. There will be plenty," was the answer.

Elnora removed her hat. There was no place to put it, so she carried it in her hand. She looked infinitely better without it. After several efforts she at last opened the door and, stepping inside, faced a smaller and more concentrated battery of eyes.

"Be seated," said the professor in charge of the class, and then, because he saw Elnora was desperately embarrassed, he proceeded to lend her a book and to ask her if she had studied algebra. She said she had a little, but not the same book they were using. He asked her if she felt that she could do the work they were beginning, and she said she did.

That was how it happened that three minutes after entering the room she was compelled to take her place at the blackboard beside the girl of the hall, whose flushed face and angry eyes avoided meeting Elnora's. Being compelled to concentrate on her proposition, she forgot herself. When the professor asked that all pupils sign their work she firmly wrote "Elnora Comstock" under her demonstration. Then she took her seat and waited with white lips and trembling limbs as one after another the professor called the names on the board, while their owners arose and explained their propositions or flunked if they had not found a correct solution. She was so eager to catch their forms of expression and prepare herself for her recitation that she never took her eyes from the work on the board until clearly and distinctly "Elnora Comstock" called the professor.

The dazed girl stared at the board. One tiny curl added to the top of the first curve of the "m" in her name had transformed it from a good old English patronymic that any girl might bear proudly to Cornstock. Elnora stared speechless. When and how did it happen? She could feel the wave of smothered laughter in the air around her. A rush of anger turned her face scarlet and her soul sick. A hot answer was on her lips. The voice of the professor addressed her straightly.

"This proposition seems to be beautifully demonstrated, Miss Cornstock," he said. "Surely you can tell us how you did it."

That word of praise saved her. She was tall, straight and handsome as she arose.

"Of course I can explain my work," she said in natural tones. "What I can't explain is how I happened to be so stupid as to make a mistake in



"Did you really let that gawky piece of calico get ahead of you?"

writing my own name. I must have been a little nervous. Please excuse me."

She went to the board, swept off the signature with one stroke, then, without a tremor, rewrote it clearly. "My name is Comstock," she said distinctly. She turned to her seat and, following the formula used by the others, made her first high school recitation.

The face of Professor Henley was a study. As Elnora took her seat he looked at her steadily. "It puzzles me," he said deliberately, "how you can write as beautiful a demonstration and explain it as clearly as ever has been done in any of my classes and still be so disturbed as to make a mistake in your own name. Are you very sure you did that yourself, Miss Comstock?"

"It is impossible that any one else should have done it," answered Elnora steadily.

"I am very glad you think so," said the professor. "Being freshmen, all of you are strangers to me. I should hate to begin the year with you feel-

ing there was one among you small enough to do a trick like that. The next proposition, please."

When the hour was gone the class filed back to the study room, and Elnora followed in desperation because she did not know where else to go. She could not study as she had no books, and when the class again left the room to go to another professor for the next recitation she went also. At least they could put her out if she did not belong there. Noon came at last, and she kept with the others until they dispersed on the sidewalk. She was so abnormally self conscious she fancied all the hundreds of that laughing throng saw and jested at her. When she passed the brown eyed boy walking with the girl of her encounter she knew, for she heard him say, "Did you really let that gawky piece of calico get ahead of you?" The answer was indistinct.

After noon she returned to the high school, followed some other pupils to the canteen, hung her hat and found her way to the study where she had been in the morning. Twice that afternoon with aching head she faced strange professors in different branches. Once she escaped notice, the second time the worst happened. She was asked a question she could not answer.

"Have you not decided on your course and secured your books?" inquired the professor.

"I have decided on my course," replied Elnora; "I do not know who to ask for my books."

"Ask?" the professor was bewildered. "I understood the books were furnished," faltered Elnora.

"Only to those bringing an order from the township trustee," replied the professor.

"No! Oh, no!" cried Elnora. "I will get them tomorrow," and gripped her desk for support, for she knew that was not true. Four books, ranging perhaps at a dollar and a half apiece! Would her mother get them? Of course she would not, could not.

Did not Elnora know the story by heart? There was enough land, but no one to do clearing and farm. Tax on all those acres, recently the new gravel road tax added, the expense of living and only the work of two women to meet all of it. She was insane to think she could come to the city to school. Her mother had been right. The girl decided that if only she lived to get home she would stay there and lead any sort of life to avoid more of this torture. Bad as what she wished to escape had been, it was nothing like this. She never could live down the movement that went through the class when she inadvertently revealed the fact that she had expected her books to be furnished. Her mother would not get them. That settled the question.

But the end of misery is never in a hurry to come, for before the day was over the superintendent entered the room and explained that pupils from the country were charged a tuition of \$20 a year. That really was the end. Previously Elnora had canvassed a dozen wild plans for securing the money for books ranging all the way from offering to wash the superintendent's dishes to breaking into the bank. This additional expense made the thing so wildly impossible there was nothing to do but hold up her head until she was out of sight.

(Continued next week)

## BEGIN SCHOOL DAYS AT TWELVE.

Without schools, without schoolteachers, without school books, without school discipline, a boy at the age of twelve could acquire in six months without cramming all that it now takes six years to drill into him. Talking baby talk to a six-months-old infant won't make the child talk any earlier, and there is nothing the mother can do to make her child walk before his legs are strong enough to carry him. It is unwise to hurry nature. In these early years fresh air and healthy physical exercise are far more valuable than all the schooling. The brain will grow. Even the boy does, without forcing. Even the child of the tenement is better off out of school than in school. If any home can be more unhygienic than the average overcrowded schoolroom, with its foul air and cramping desks, there is at least the street for the child to play and grow in and, with all its dangers, the public street is better than the public school room—Dr. Woods Hutchinson.

## AMIALE WEAKNESSES.

We must have a weak spot or two in a character before we can love it much. People that do not laugh or cry or take more of anything than is good for them or use anything but dictionary words are admirable subjects for biographies. But we don't care most for those flat pattern flowers that press best in the herbarium. Holmes.

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## Was Interested

The customer had waited fifteen minutes for the fish he had ordered. He was very quiet as he sat there, but internally he was seething.

At the end of the sixteenth minute the waiter, who had been in total eclipse for fifteen and one-half minutes, bustled up.

"That fish will be here, sir, in five minutes."

Five minutes elapsed three times. Then the waiter bustled up again.

"The fish will be here, sir, in a minute."

"Tell me," said the patient one, quietly, but with a certain emphasis, "what bait are you using?"—Ex.

## LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP

In all holiest and most unselfish love friendship is the purest element of the affection. No love in any relation of life can be at its best if the element of friendship be lacking, and no love can transcend in its possibilities of noble and ennobling exaltation a love that is pure friendship.—Henry Clay Trumbull.

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WELL SAID, GOVERNOR!

In a public address delivered recently in Southern California Governor Johnson said:

"I remember when the eight-hour law for women was under consideration. Nearly every chamber of commerce in the State of California protested that, if women were made to work only eight hours, business would be paralyzed and throttled. I remember certain men came to me in tears, saying they would be ruined. But the bill became a law and is in effect today, and not a single business house has closed its doors and not a single industry has been injuriously affected."

The Governor stated the exact truth, and it is well that this should come from no less authority than the chief executive of the great State of California.

In no sense has there been that dire disaster which was pointed out by the mouthpiece of "Big Business" as inevitable should there be enacted that humane law which has done so much in behalf of the women workers. The prophets of pessimism and of evil have been completely routed, but as everybody, including themselves, knew from the start that their predictions were false, there has been no surprise.—Organized Labor.



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## MUNICIPAL "ZONES OF INFLUENCE"

Extension of the powers of incorporated cities beyond their corporate limits was the somewhat startling proposal offered by one of the brightest of the city attorneys in attendance upon the last convention of the League of California Municipalities. No specific changes in the law were suggested, the idea being merely advanced as a subject for consideration and possible action in the future. For lack of a better name the proponent of the idea used the term "zones of influence," indicating that in certain matters such as policing and sanitation a city should be given some degree of power in territory contiguous to its boundaries.

The proposal may seem dangerous at first glance and there may be difficult legal obstacles in its way. But the News is of the opinion that some such legislation is greatly needed. The proposed "zone of influence" should exist whether the outside territory is unincorporated or is within the limits of another city.

In some degree the laws governing the sanitation and public peace of a city should apply for some distance beyond its boundaries. It should not be possible to trespass them with impunity merely by stepping across an imaginary line into territory which is under the laws of the county or of another city, while the act is still in fact an offense against the inhabitants of the first named city who enacted the law for their protection. To commit a nuisance or other act which is unlawful within the confines of a given city it should be necessary to go far enough beyond its boundaries to relieve the inhabitants from the effects of the act.

Another matter which should be included within the scope of the proposed legislation is the improvement and upkeep of roads. When a city improves a given street to its boundary there should be some assurance that the continuation of the road, if there is any, will be kept at least passable, and in some degree approaching the standard set by the city street. Especially is this true where cities are contiguous, and where one city must gain its outlet to the county highway system by crossing the territory of another.

As an instance the case of Baldwin Avenue may be cited. The mile of this great avenue situated within Sierra Madre has been treated with the finest tamped oil paving. Between the lower city limits and the Foothill Boulevard is a half mile of the worst road in the township. The 600 feet adjacent to Sierra Madre is within the corporate limits of Arcadia. The rest is in the county. This stretch of road is a source of discomfort to Sierra Madre.

Madre people and of discouragement to visitors who attempt to enter the city by that route. Arcadia will not spend a penny where it would benefit Sierra Madre and Sierra Madre cannot spend money outside of its limits except in case of emergency. At one time when this strip of road became almost impassible by auto the expenditure of a few dollars for oil and labor aroused fevered criticism of the city authorities in some quarters. The indifference of the county officials has the same effect on that portion of the road under their jurisdiction as has the open hostility of Arcadia. So the road remains full of bumps and ruts and travellers blame Sierra Madre for its condition.

It is to be hoped Sierra Madre will not have to await the passing of such legislation as that proposed above to get relief on lower Baldwin Avenue. But this case seems to furnish an excellent argument in favor of giving legal sanction to the idea of the "zones of influence."

## BY THE WAY

"Insurance president in Los Angeles to loan millions," says a newspaper headline. We know some country editors who would be glad to borrow a few.

Pasadena people are rejoicing over the prospect of the two telephone companies absorbing each other so they will have only one phone to bother with and to pay for. Nobody seems to care much whether the Sunset absorbs the Home or vice versa, so long as they get rid of the present nuisance. One by one the other cities of Southern California fall in line behind Sierra Madre which for two years has had the advantage of universal long distance service with only one local exchange.

The result of the Ohio primaries on Tuesday makes the progressives too happy even to want to say "I told you so." It effectually disposes of Taft and presages a regular wild west stampede to the Roosevelt band wagon. Let's have some more "impulsive" judgments of the common people.

Pomona Times.—The Sierra Madre News, a live, up-to-date weekly, published under the careful proprietorship of George B. Morgridge, recently gave to its readers a special number entitled "The Flower Festival Special." The good people of Sierra Madre must have been delighted with the effort. If they were not, all the Times has to say is that they do not appreciate their editor or the paper they are getting. We have seen pages of self-laudation printed by certain metropolitan dailies over so-called special editions that did not in any way measure up to the product of the press of the Sierra Madre News, save in size and the bulk of paper used. The News and its enterprising editor deserve a cess and here is hoping that they get it.

## THE RAINS

## A Song of the Southwest

Charles Badger Clark, Jr., in Sunset

You've watched the ground-hog shadow and the shifting weather signs  
Till the northern prairie started itself with flowers;  
You've seen the snow a-melting up among the northern pines  
And the mountain creeks a-roarin' with the showers.  
You've blessed the stranger sunlight when the winter days were done  
And the summer creepin' down the budding lanes;  
Did you ever see a springtime in the home-range of the sun  
When the desert land is waitin' for the Rains?

The April days are sun and sun; the last thin cloud has fled;  
It's gold above the eastern mountain crest,  
Then blaze upon the yellow range all day from overhead,  
And then a stripe of gold along the west.  
The dry wind mourns among the hills, a-huntin' trees and grass,  
Or down the desert flats it rises higher  
And lifts a rollin' dust-storm up and flings it through the pass  
And fills the evenin' west with smolderin' fire.

It's sun and sun without a change the lazy length of May  
And all the little sun-things own the land.  
The horned toad basks and swells himself; the bright swifts dart and play  
The rattler hunts or drowns in the sand.  
But the wind comes off the desert like it brushed a bed of coals;  
The sickly range-grass withers down and falls;  
The cattle bawl and scuffle 'round the dryin' water holes,  
Then stagger off along their stony trails.

The days crawl on to summer suns that slower blaze and wheel;  
The mesas heave and quiver in the noon;  
The mountains they are ashes and the skies are shinin' steel,  
Though the mockin'-birds are singin' that its June.  
And here and there among the hills, a-standin' white and tall,  
The droopin' plumes of yucca flowers gleam,  
But the buzzards circle, circle where the starvin' cattle fall  
And the whole hot land is dyin' in a dream.

But last across the skyline comes a thing that's strange and new—  
A little cloud of saddle-blanket size.  
It blackens 'long the mountains, it bulges up the blue  
And sheds the weary sun-glare from our eyes.  
Then the lightning's flash the heavens and the thunder jars the world  
And the gray of fallin' water wraps the plains  
And across the burnin' ranges down the wind the word is whirled—  
"Here's another year of livin' and the Rains!"

You've watched your fat fields smilin' o'er the trees ure that they hoard;  
Have you seen a mountain stretch and rub its eyes  
And bare hills lift their streamin' faces up to praise the Lord,  
Fairly tremblin' with their gladness and surprise?  
Have you heard the 'royos singin' and the new breeze hummin' gay  
Where the greenin' ranges shed their dusty stains?  
Just a whole dead world sprung back to life and laughin' in a day!  
Did you ever see the comin' of the Rains?

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## MISCELLANEOUS

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LOST—Poney collar. Leave same at Hartman's drug store.

## NOTICE

Any one who can give the name and address of any person selling the Vacuum washer of the Domestic Utilities Company for less than \$3.50 each retail will confer a favor upon the authorized agent for Sierra Madre by leaving it at the News office. The washer is patented and parties so selling infringe on the agents' contract to sell at the fixed price of \$3.50. Mrs. Elizabeth Borglum.

## NOTICE

The adjourned annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sierra Madre Woman's Club Building Association will be held at the Club House on Friday, May 31, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting. FRANCES S. ANDREWS, Secretary.

Sierra Madre, Cal., May 24, 1912.

## NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sierra Madre Cemetery Association will be held in the office of the President, Room 1, Kersting Court, Sierra Madre, California, on Tuesday, June 4, 1912, at three p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting. ELSIE M. CASKEY, Secy.

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## WHILE THE WEST IS PALING.

While the west is paling  
Starshine is begun  
While the dusk is falling  
Glimmers up the sun.

So till darkness cover  
Life's retreating gleam  
Lover follows lover.  
Dream succeeds to dream.

Stoop to my endeavor,  
O my love, and be  
Only and forever  
Sun and stars to me!  
—W. E. Henley.

## A LITTLE WHILE.

A LITTLE while a little love  
The hour yet bears for thee and me.  
Who have not drawn the veil to see  
If still our heaven be lit above.  
Thou merely at the day's last sigh  
Hast felt my soul prolong the tone,  
And I have felt the night wind cry  
And deemed its speech mine own.

A LITTLE while a little love  
May yet be ours who have not said  
The word it makes our eyes afraid  
To know that each is thinking of.  
Not yet the end—Be our lips dumb  
In smiles a little season yet.  
I'll tell thee when the end is come  
How we may best forget.  
—Dante Gabriel Rossetti.

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